

the public press on "Company Promoting and Stock Broking," promising in it that at some future time I would show them as fairly as I could the meaning of stock-jobbing; then contending that the advanced educational needs of the day stood greatly in want of such information.

But I beg to submit that I hesitate to be the means of contaminating their youthful and pure minds with the impure knowledge and secrets of stock-jobbery, but their school teachers would do well to supply them with the rudimentary information, not only as a specimen, but as a warning, and object lessons could be pointed out to them. It is pleasing to observe the press of this city occasionally taking this matter up. They are following in the lead of the press of the Motherland.

The monopolists are the people who are engaged in this nefarious business, because money getting is their one object, and the constancy of the habit steels their consciences and sears them so completely that they are without feeling, and the adage is strictly correct: "They have no more feeling than the steel rails the trains run on."

The sparsely populated South American States and Turkey used to be their special "preserves" and "hunting grounds," and wherever the former were not governed by men of integrity they soon fell a prey to the monopolist, who swallowed up their money and their land, and many of the poor people were butchered.

But Turkey has a large army, and the officials live by their wits, and the Sultan will borrow from whoever will lend and in this way scrapes along—but he beats the monopolists, for he will not part with the land of Palestine, as it is looked upon as sacred by the followers of Mohammed, and they all consider it their duty to make yearly pilgrimages to the shrines, there to worship the Deity. These pilgrims pay large fees to the Sultan. By this means and farming out the taxes, the Sultan, his numerous officials and army are kept up, and he cries, virtually like the monopolists in other countries: "Hands off the land; that's my goose which lays me golden eggs," and rolls it as a sweet morsel under his tongue; and Christendom as a whole views Palestine as do the Mohammedans, which helps the Sultan out. It is called the Holy Land by the majority of Christians because it was the scene of Our Lord's personally teaching the people the new and true way to live. But